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Remarks

This is in response to the communication filed on August 23, 2004. Claims 1-2, 4-13, 20-27, 31, 47-48, 52-61, 66-76, and 81-88 are pending in the application.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-2, 4-13, 20-27, 31, 47-48, 52-61, 66-76, and 81-88, after further reconsideration and searches, are deemed to contain allowable subject matters and are allowed over the prior art.

Reasons For Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The present invention is directed to <u>a control device</u> that controls an electric apparatus that receives information transmitted via a transmission medium and <u>comprises a detachable IC memory card that is configured to be removable and utilized in an external process; and erasing unit for deleting the additional information stored in the IC memory card based on a user controlled input.</u>

The best prior art of record--the Goldstein (US 5,410,326) reference, teaches a control device (5) that controls, by transmitting a control signal (see col. 7, lines 53-55), an electric apparatus (8, fig. 1) that receives information transmitted via a transmission medium (e.g., IR 29, see fig. 1A). However, Goldstein fails to teach the removable IC memory card and the erasing unit. The Tajida (US 6,057,808) reference teaches a

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detachable IC memory card (2, fig. 5) that is configured to be removable and utilized in an external process (see col. 11, lines 35-43 in light of col. 2, lines 1-18). Tajida shows a deleting unit (7, fig. 2). However, Tajida fails to specify that the erasing unit be configured to delete the additional information that is stored in the IC memory card based on a user-controlled input. Further, while Goldstein relates to a remote control device controlling a television apparatus, Tajida relates to a FM multiplexing broadcasting apparatus and detachable memory medium; thus, Goldstein and Tajida are not analogous art. Hence, they cannot properly be combinable to derive the claimed invention. Accordingly, the combination of Goldstein and Tajida would not teach a control device that controls an electric apparatus that receives information transmitted via a transmission medium and comprises a detachable IC memory card that is configured to be removable and utilized in an external process; and erasing unit for deleting the additional information stored in the IC memory card based on a user controlled input. Accordingly, the limitations recited in (as called for in claims1-2, 4-13, 20-27, 31, 47-48, 52-61, 66-76, and 81-88 are allowed over the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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